

West Bank
Herk.

8/4 mo '72

Dear Dr. Gray

The Lewisias have come to hand in excellent condition. I am greatly obliged for the trouble that has been taken in procuring them. Do tell me freely what sum I ought to remit for them, & I will send it at once. I suppose that Dr. Parry will be able to obtain a lot more of them, as it is probably the most remunerative thing he could send. *Primula Parryi* is val-

nable; but it is to the ^{Lewisia} ~~the main~~ ^{return} that we must look for ^{the main} in a business point of view, of the outlay for his exped.

On no account let a special - view program be taken, to the hurt of its "localities" for any business purpose.

When I say, "get 5000" of a thing, please understand that all the ciphers are to be knocked off, rather than any damage done, if the plant be rare.

I should feel much more "easy" if I might pay for the volume, which will be

of great real value; much as I feel thankful for the goodwill that offers it as a gift. I am glad to hear of the ^{intended} ~~work~~ trip to California or Utah in summer. If opportunity should permit of seeds being collected, I should like to be a subscriber towards the expense.

Very sincerely thy frd.,

Chas. Backhouse